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**Concord New Energy Group Limited**  
**協合新能源集團有限公司\***

*(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 182)**

**MAJOR TRANSACTION**  
**FINANCE LEASE ARRANGEMENT**

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**LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS**

As one or more of the applicable percentage ratio(s) (as defined under the Listing Rules) in respect of the transaction contemplated under the Finance Lease Arrangement exceed(s) 5% but is/are less than 25%, the Finance Lease Arrangement constitutes a discloseable transaction of the Company and is thus subject to the reporting and announcement requirements under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 10 July 2019 in relation to the July Finance Lease Arrangement. As the transactions contemplated under the Finance Lease Arrangements are conducted within a 12-month period, the transactions shall be aggregated under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules. As one or more of the applicable percentage ratio(s) (as defined under the Listing Rules) in respect of the transactions contemplated under the Finance Lease Arrangements exceed(s) 25% but is/are less than 100%, the transactions under the Finance Lease Arrangements in aggregate constitute a major transaction of the Company and is thus subject to the reporting, announcement, circular and shareholders' approval requirements under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

A special general meeting will be convened by the Company to consider and, if thought fit, approve the Finance Lease Arrangements by the shareholders of the Company. To the best knowledge, information and belief of the Directors having made all reasonable enquiries, no shareholders of the Company has a material interest in the transactions contemplated under Finance Lease Arrangements and is required to abstain from voting on the relevant resolution(s) at the special general meeting of the Company.

A circular containing, among others, details of the Finance Lease Arrangements, the financial information of the Group and other information as required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules and the notice of the special general meeting is expected to be despatched to the shareholders of the Company on or before 25 September 2019.

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All Equipment under the Finance Lease Arrangement are/will be used by the Group for the operation of the wind power projects of the Group in Jilin Province, the PRC.

**(i) The Sale and Purchase Agreement**

The principal terms of the Sale and Purchase Agreement are set out below:

Date of agreement	26 August 2019
Parties to the agreement	Purchaser and lessor: CITIC Financial Leasing;  Lessee: Jilin Century Concord; and  Supplier: Haotai New Energy
Subject assets	The Equipment
Consideration payable by the lessor to the supplier	CITIC Financial Leasing shall fully pay RMB116,510,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$128,161,000) upon satisfaction of the following, among others, conditions:—  (i) the Sale and Purchase Agreement, the Finance Lease Agreement and the relevant ancillary documents and agreements have been duly executed and effective;  (ii) Jilin Century Concord has obtained all internal and external approvals required for the finance leasing transactions under the Finance Lease Agreement;  (iii) relevant guarantors under the Finance Lease Arrangement have obtained the approvals/authorisations for the provisions of guarantees from internal and external authorised institutions, as required by CITIC Financial Leasing;  (iv) the Security Agreements and the relevant ancillary documents have been duly executed and effective, and the filings and registration procedures at the relevant authorities have been completed;  (v) CITIC Financial Leasing has received the security deposit (if any), handling fee (if any) and leasing cost (if any) from Jilin Century Concord; and

- (vi) the representations and warranties made by Jilin Century Concord under the Sale and Purchase Agreement and the Finance Lease Agreement are true, accurate and not misleading.

Basis of the Consideration      The Consideration is determined after arm's length negotiations with reference to the purchase price payable by Haotai New Energy to the original supplier(s) of the Equipment.

**(ii) The Finance Lease Agreement**

The principal terms of the Finance Lease Agreement are set out below:

Date of agreement	26 August 2019
Parties to the agreement	Lessor: CITIC Financial Leasing; and Lessee: Jilin Century Concord
Period of the lease term	12 years (commencing from middle of October 2019)
Total lease amount payable by the lessee to the lessor	RMB173,545,934 (equivalent to approximately HK\$190,900,527), being the total sum of the lease cost of RMB116,510,000 (which is consistent with the Consideration), the estimated aggregate interest of approximately RMB55,870,834, which are payable in 48 quarterly installments and the handling fee of RMB1,165,100.
Lease interest and adjustment	The estimated aggregate interest is approximately RMB55,870,834 (equivalent to approximately HK\$61,457,917). Interest (which forms part of the total lease amount) is calculated at a floating rate and shall be adjusted with reference to the benchmark interest rate for RMB loans with a maturity of above 5 years as promulgated by the People's Bank of China from time to time (the " <b>Benchmark Interest Rate</b> ") plus a premium.
Handling fee payable by the lessee to the lessor	RMB1,165,100 (equivalent to approximately HK\$1,281,610), which is payable to CITIC Financial Leasing by Jilin Century Concord before the commencement of the lease term of the Finance Lease Agreement.

Basis to determine the lease payment	The lease amount is agreed between CITIC Financial Leasing and Jilin Century Concord with reference to the Consideration payable by CITIC Financial Leasing in respect of the Equipment and the prevailing market interest rate of comparable equipment finance leases.
Lessee to purchase back the Equipment	The legal ownership of the Equipment will be rested in CITIC Financial Leasing throughout the lease term. Upon the end of the lease term, provided that Jilin Century Concord has fulfilled all of its obligations under the Finance Lease Agreement, Jilin Century Concord will purchase back the Equipment at a nominal consideration of RMB1 (equivalent to approximately HK\$1.10).

### (iii) The Security Agreements

In order to secure Jilin Century Concord's obligations under the Finance Lease Agreement, the following security documents have also been executed on 26 August 2019 (after trading hours):

Guarantee Agreement I	The Company, CITIC Financial Leasing and Jilin Century Concord have entered into a guarantee agreement in favour of CITIC Financial Leasing (the " <b>Guarantee Agreement I</b> "), pursuant to which the Company has agreed to provide irrevocable joint liability guarantees for all the debts of Jilin Century Concord under the Finance Lease Agreement.
Guarantee Agreement II	Century Concord, CITIC Financial Leasing and Jilin Century Concord have entered into a guarantee agreement in favour of CITIC Financial Leasing (the " <b>Guarantee Agreement II</b> "), pursuant to which Century Concord agreed to provide irrevocable joint liability guarantees for all the debts of Jilin Century Concord under the Finance Lease Agreement.
Equipment Mortgage Agreement	Jilin Century Concord has entered into an equipment mortgage agreement in favour of CITIC Financial Leasing (the " <b>Equipment Mortgage Agreement</b> "), pursuant to which, upon CITIC Financial Leasing's authorisation, Jilin Century Concord has agreed to mortgage the Equipment to CITIC Financial Leasing and complete the registration procedure, to secure its obligations under the Finance Lease Agreement.

Electricity Fee Pledge Agreement	Jilin Century Concord has entered into an electricity fee pledge agreement in favour of CITIC Financial Leasing (the “ <b>Electricity Fee Pledge Agreement</b> ”), pursuant to which Jilin Century Concord has agreed to pledge its receivables in electricity fee to CITIC Financial Leasing, to secure its obligations under the Finance Lease Agreement.
Designated Account Agreement I	CITIC Financial Leasing, Jilin Century Concord and China CITIC Bank (Headquarter)* (中信銀行股份有限公司總行) have entered into a designated account agreement (the “ <b>Designated Account Agreement I</b> ”), pursuant to which a designated account (the “ <b>Designated Account I</b> ”) has been set up and the Consideration will be paid by CITIC Financial Leasing into the Designated Account I, which will be utilized, among other things, by Jilin Century Concord to pay the Consideration to Haotai New Energy as entrusted by CITIC Financial Leasing pursuant to the Finance Lease Agreement and the Sale and Purchase Agreement.
Designated Account Agreement II	CITIC Financial Leasing, Jilin Century Concord and China CITIC Bank (Headquarter)* (中信銀行股份有限公司總行) have entered into a designated account agreement (the “ <b>Designated Account Agreement II</b> ”), pursuant to which a designated account (the “ <b>Designated Account II</b> ”) will be set up and the receivables in electricity fee of Jilin Century Concord should be deposited into the Designated Account II, the fund of which should be given priority for fulfilling the obligations of Jilin Century Concord under the Finance Lease Agreement.

## REASONS FOR AND BENEFIT OF THE FINANCE LEASE ARRANGEMENT

The entering into of the Finance Lease Arrangement is in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group. The Directors are of the view that under the Finance Lease Arrangement, the Group will obtain financial resources and gain access to certain equipment as required for its operations. The terms under the Finance Lease Arrangement have been agreed after arm’s length negotiation among the relevant parties. The Directors consider the terms of the Finance Lease Arrangement are on normal commercial terms, fair and reasonable and are in the interests of the Company and the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

## **INFORMATION OF THE PARTIES TO THE FINANCE LEASE AGREEMENT**

### **CITIC Financial Leasing**

CITIC Financial Leasing is a company established in the PRC which is principally engaged in the business of finance leasing. To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief after having made all reasonable enquiries, CITIC Financial Leasing and its ultimate beneficial owner(s) are third parties independent of the Company and its connected persons (as defined under the Listing Rules).

### **The Company and Jilin Century Concord**

The Company is a company incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability and its shares have been listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange. The Group is principally engaged in (i) investing in wind and solar power projects; and (ii) offering professional technical services and integrated solutions to the wind and solar power generation projects.

Jilin Century Concord is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, and is principally engaged in the operation of wind power generation projects in the PRC.

### **Haotai New Energy**

Haotai New Energy is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, and is principally engaged in the trading of equipment for wind power and new energy.

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## DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

“Board”	the board of Directors
“Century Concord”	Century Concord Wind Power Investment Co., Ltd.* (協合風電投資有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
“CITIC Financial Leasing”	CITIC Financial Leasing Co., Ltd.* (中信金融租賃有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a third party independent of the Company and its connected persons (as defined under the Listing Rules), which is the purchaser and lessor under the Finance Lease Arrangement
“Company”	Concord New Energy Group Limited (協合新能源集團有限公司*) (Stock code: 182), a company incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability, the ordinary shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange
“Consideration”	the consideration for purchasing the Equipment payable by CITIC Financial Leasing to Haotai New Energy, which amounted to RMB116,510,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$128,161,000)
“Director(s)”	the director(s) of the Company
“Equipment”	certain machinery and equipment for the Group’s operation of the wind power projects in Jilin Province, the PRC as stipulated under the Finance Lease Agreement

“Finance Lease Agreement”	the finance lease agreement entered into between Jilin Century Concord and CITIC Financial Leasing on 26 August 2019, including all ancillary agreements attached thereto in respect of the purchase and lease of the Equipment, as described in the sub-section headed “Finance Lease Arrangement — (ii) The Finance Lease Agreement” in this announcement
“Finance Lease Arrangement”	the transactions contemplated under the Sale and Purchase Agreement, the Finance Lease Agreement and the Security Agreements
“Finance Lease Arrangements”	the Finance Lease Arrangement and the July Finance Lease Arrangement
“Group”	the Company and its subsidiaries
“Haotai New Energy”	Haotai New Energy Equipment Co., Ltd.* (浩泰新能源裝備有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, which is the supplier under the Sale and Purchase Agreement
“HK\$”	Hong Kong dollar(s), the lawful currency of Hong Kong
“Hong Kong”	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China
“Jilin Century Concord”	Jilin Century Concord Wind Power Investment Co., Ltd.* (吉林協合風力發電投資有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, which is the lessee under the Finance Lease Agreement
“July Finance Lease Arrangement”	the transaction contemplated under the finance lease arrangement among Jilin Century Concord (as lessee), CITIC Financial Leasing (as purchaser and lessor) and Haotai New Energy (as supplier) pursuant to the finance lease agreement and the sale and purchase agreement both dated 10 July 2019, and other underlying security agreements entered between the Group and CITIC Financial Leasing on the same day, as detailed in the announcement of the Company dated 10 July 2019
“Listing Rules”	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
“PRC”	The People’s Republic of China

“RMB”	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
“Sale and Purchase Agreement”	the sale and purchase agreement entered into among Jilin Century Concord (as lessee), CITIC Financial Leasing (as purchaser and lessor) and Haotai New Energy (as supplier) on 26 August 2019, pursuant to which CITIC Financial Leasing agreed to purchase the Equipment from Haotai New Energy to fulfill CITIC Financial Leasing’s obligations under the Finance Lease Agreement
“Security Agreements”	the security agreements, including the Guarantee Agreement I, the Guarantee Agreement II, the Equipment Mortgage Agreement, the Electricity Fee Pledge Agreement, the Designated Account Agreement I and the Designated Account Agreement II, to secure the obligations of Jilin Century Concord under the Finance Lease Arrangement, as described in the sub-section headed “Finance Lease Arrangement — (iii) Security Agreements” in this announcement
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

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For and on behalf of  
**Concord New Energy Group Limited**  
**Liu Shunxing**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 26 August 2019

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Liu Shunxing (Chairman), Ms. Liu Jianhong (Vice Chairperson), Mr. Yu Weizhou (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Niu Wenhui, Mr. Gui Kai and Dr. Shang Li (all of above are executive Directors), Mr. Wang Feng (who is a nonexecutive Director) and Mr. Yap Fat Suan, Henry, Dr. Jesse Zhixi Fang, Ms. Huang Jian and Mr. Zhang Zhong (who are independent non-executive Directors).*

\* *For identification purposes only*